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Amendments to the Claims:

- 1. to 28. (Cancelled)
- 29. (Currently amended) A method of immunizing a host, which comprises:

 administering to the host an attenuated bacteria harbouring a vector

 comprising a nucleic acid molecule encoding at least one immunoprotectioninducing Chlamydia protein or a fragment thereof which generates a Chlamydia

 protein specific immune response and a promoter operatively coupled to said nucleic
 acid molecule for expression of said Chlamydia protein or fragment thereof by cells
 in cells of the host but not by said in said attenuated bacteria.
- 30. (Original) The method of claim 29 wherein said immunoprotection inducing *Chlamydia* protein or fragment thereof is a major outer membrane protein (MOMP) of a strain of *Chlamydia*.
- 31. (Original) The method of claim 30 wherein said strain of *Chlamydia* is a strain of *Chlamydia pneumoniae*.
- 32. (Original) The method of claim 30 wherein said strain of *Chlamydia* is a strain of *Chlamydia trachomatis*.
- 33. (Cancelled)
- 34. (Previously presented) The method of claim 29 wherein said promoter is a cytomegalovirus promoter.
- 35. (Previously presented) The method of claim 29 wherein said vector is a plasmid vector.
- 36. (Previously presented) The method of claim 35 wherein said plasmid vector is pcDNA3/MOMP as seen in Figure 5.

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- 37. (Original) The method of claim 29 wherein said attenuated bacteria is an attenuated strain of Salmonella.
- 38. (Original) The method of claim 37 wherein said attenuated strain of Salmonella is an attenuated strain of Salmonella typhimurium.
- 39. (Original) The method of claim 29 wherein said administration is effected to mucosal surfaces.
- 40. (Original) The method of claim 39 wherein said administration is effected by intranasal administration.